Saturday.

PROPOSITIONS DECLINED.

Wants to Act For This Government. A Cable From Japan-No Subsidy and no Guarantee-The Two Bills In Congress - Passage Doubtful.

Sir Audley Cooke, promoter of cable schemes, was a through passenger on the Monowai, returning to the colonies there to Japan, and we hope to have after a three months' stay in Washington, D. C., in the interests of the company he represents.

During Saturday afternoon he was closeted with Ministers Cooper and I will have a fortnight at home, and companied by his son, who will act as Smith at the Hawaiian Hotel, and the will then leave for Tokio. I hope to get through my business there in time to cable proposition between the United States and Hawaii was taken up and discussed from every point of view. The



SIR AUDLEY COOTE, Cable Promotor.

result of this conference was not entirely satisfactory to Sir Audley. He continued on his journey by the Monowai at midnight Saturday. Before leaving he gave the Advertiser reporter a twenty minutes' interview.

In response to a question he said: "I have been at the capital, as you no doubt know, working in the interests of a cable line from the United States to Japan, via Honolulu. There are two bills now in the hands of the committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. One of them, Colonel Spalding fathers. But, I regret to say, those bills clash to such an extent that I am afraid nothing will come of either of them.

"The presidential convention will be held in June, and Congress will adjourn before then, and will not convene again until December."

"Did you gain the impression, Sir Audley, that Congress is really anxious to have a cable built between the islands and the main land?"

"Yes! The members are more or less anxious but there is so much just now of an international character which, in their opinion is of greater importance and requiring more immediate atten-

"A dozen or more members, when urged to give the cable bills some attention, asked me if I considered a cable to Hawaii of greater importance to the Hawaii is so far from the seat of government in the United States that I imagine it will take almost continual prodding and reminding, on the part of your Minister Hatch to keep the fact that Hawaii is in the march of progress, and that a cable is one of the essentials of success, in the minds of members.

"On the part of the Republican mem-bers of the House and Senate there is an apparent aversion to taking on any outside responsibility at the close of the Democratic administration. The Democratic members devote their time to foreign affairs of a character outside cable matters,

"There is not a member of the committee in whose hands the cable measures now rest who knows anything about cable building, nor is there an individual, firm or corporation in the United States engaged in laying cables; so that if the Spalding or any other measure passes it is likely they will have to have the cable laid by others than people of the United States.

"You know, of course, that the preference of this government is for American enterprise and capital to bring the years and is thoroughly acquainted building of the cable to Hawaii to a suc- with mercantile affairs. By strict atcessful completion?"

Quite well do I know it, but the anti-English feeling does not exist as strong any difference to the masses whether messages, or news for that matter, is the result of American brains and money or English brains and money. Or for the matter of that, suppose it is divided, conceding the brains and enter-

AUDLEY COOTES CABLE results are the first thing in matters for public weal, and sentiment follows at the heels.

"I realize this anti-English feeling, and to overcome it so far as we were concerned in the United States, I offered to build the cable and to insert Conference With the Ministers a clause in the contract that if at any Prof. Alexander Agassiz Goes to time the Government of the United States wished my company would turn over the entire plant to it on a notice of thirty days.

of thirty days.

"If Colonel Spalding's bill passes, I will build a cable from Hawaii to Japan without costing the Hawaiian PACIFIC Government a dollar, and if this is accomplished the cable between here and the United States will be a success, because 60 per cent, of the messages now going from the United States to the The Famous Naturalist on Monowal. Colonies and the Orient by the way of England will come this way. If the Spalding cable is built we will lay one from Brest to New York, a distance of 2,500 miles. That, however, will be constructed entirely with French cap-

"Eighteen months ago we completed a line to New Caledonia. We contemplate the construction of a line from one to Hawaii, thus giving us a circle of

the globe.
"My company wired me in waste no more time at Washington, but to get to Japan and do what can be done there. Brisbane to Torres straits. He is acleave for Berne, Switzerland, to attend a convention of directors of interna- bridge University, and Mr. Meyer, an tional cable companies which meets there in May.

"I may say this-that my company has stopped asking for subsidies; we now work under a guarantee of the interest on the capital of the company. If the interest should amount to ten thousand pounds sterling a year, we allow the Government free privileges to that amount. But if it should happen reporter at the Hawaiian Hotel Satur-that the profits of the company were day night the professor said: sufficient to pay any portion of the interest, after running expenses were met, then the Government pays only the deficit, while they still retain the free ocean, and it is my intention now to amount of the guarantee.

"Our company is willing to send messages between San Francisco and Hono- here in Honolulu about ten years ago lulu at 35 cents per word; to other points beyond, \$1 25 per word. Government messages, free for all time.

Government will consider our proposi-tion favorably. Mr. Hatch told me it which for our investigations is the most was really the only reasonable and sat-isfactory offer they had as yet re-absent perhaps six months, and it will ceived, and Colonel Spalding was of depend entirely upon the dates of the the same opinion."

terday the nature of Mr. Coote's propo- the other way. sition. The reply was that he first asked for a letter to the Japanese Government authorizing him to act for the gation of the Australian reefs to be

Explore It.

CORAL FORMATIONS.

A Five Months' Tour-In the Interests of Science-Vessel Chartered at Brisbane-His Companions.

Among the passengers to Brisbane by the Monowai on Saturday was Prof Agassiz, the director of the Harvard College Museum. The Professor is en route to the Colonies to study the structure of the Barrier reefs from photographer; Dr. Woodworth, instructor of natural history at Camadvanced student of Harvard.

Prof. Agassiz has chartered a big steamer to meet his party at Brisbane, and after their implements and machinery are on board will proceed direct to the field of their labors.

In a conversation with an Advertiser day night the professor said:

"I have made a pretty thorough investigation of the reefs in the Atlantic privilege of cablegrams to the full take up the same work in the Pacific ocean, beginning with Australia. I was and examined the reef around this harbor.

"We will arrive at our work on the Press messages, one-half the rates Great Barrier reef late in the summer, or perhaps it will be early autumn on that side of the equator, and it departures of steamers whether we re-One of the Ministers was asked yes- turn home via Honolulu or go around



PROF. ALEXANDER AGASSIZ, The Famous Naturalist.

United States than the Nicaragua canal Hawaiian Government in matters per- thorough. They are from eight to nine or the Cuban revolution. The fact is Hawaii is so far from the seat of govsecure this he asked for a letter author izing him to negotiate with Japan, on as Torres Straits." terms stated by him, for the construction of a cable between the two coun- the late Louis Agassiz, the great nattries. This was also refused, and he uralist. He was born in Neuchatel then asked for a certificate granting Switzerland, sixty-one years ago, but him an exclusive franchise to land a does not look to be above forty-five. He cable from Japan to some point on was educated in Europe and went to the Oahu. This was also refused.

The Ministers do not feel that the power to act in the cable matters grant- old was graduated from Harvard. ed them by the last Legislature goes beyond the making of contracts.

Sir Audley Coote's plan to link the islands with a cable and connect all with a trans-Pacific line may not be successful.

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Prof. Alexander Agassiz is a son of United States when he was fourteen years of age, and when twenty years

He was connected with the California coast survey and was associated with his father in the museum of zoology at Cambridge, Mass. He was curator of the museum in Cambridge from 1874 to 1885, when he resigned on account of ill-health. He is now director of the Harvard museum and a member of the National Academy of Sciences, and is considered one of the greatest living authorities on marine zoology.

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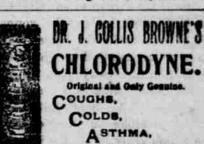
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